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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

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Dear Sir.

An Examiner Interview was conducted March 2, 2005, at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, between Examiner Javid Amini, and Applicants' representative, Steven J. Shumaker (Reg. No. 36,275).

In the Examiner Interview, Applicants' representative reiterated the arguments for patentability expressed in the remarks accompanying the Amendment filed January 7, 2005, focusing on claim 1. Applicants' representative presented a brief Powerpoint presentation to guide the Examiner through claim limitations relating to the display of gray elements and a single dithered, fixed 25% to 40% gray background simultaneously, and estimation of display gamma based on user selection of one of the gray elements that appears to most closely blend with the dithered gray background. In addition, Applicants' representative noted other limitations in various dependent claims, such as the estimation of coarse gamma and fine

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gamma, the use of a green dithered background and green element, and the use of red-blue shifted gray elements.

Applicants' representative emphasized the differences between the Brettel and Berger references and the claimed invention. In particular, Applicants' representative pointed out that Brettel does not disclose a single dithered background with a fixed gray level of 25 to 40%, nor a plurality of gray elements. With respect to Berger, Applicants' representative noted that the dithered elements in the second figure are not even used for gamma estimation. Applicants' representative further pointed out that Adobe shows computation of separate, individual gammas for red, green and blue channels.

No agreement was reached.

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